

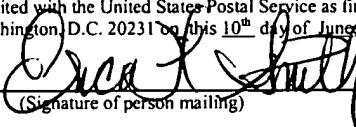


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Dear Sir:

This amendment is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed on January 11, 2002.

Remarks

Claims 1-39 are pending in the application. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawn of the §103 rejections based on the arguments submitted herewith.

To establish a prima facie case of obviousness is well established that the Examiner must provide (1) one or more references; (2) that were available to the inventor and (3) that teach (4) a *suggestion to combine or modify the references*, (5) the combination or modification of which would appear to be sufficient to have made the claimed invention obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art. Applicants respectfully submit that Examiner has not met his burden of establishing a prima facie case of